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## **RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-RESPONSIVE AMENDMENT**

Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-responsive Amendment mailed December 6, 2002, we provide the following remarks. The Notice provides a time period for response of the longer of one month or thirty days. Accordingly, this Office Action is filed within the period set by the Examiner.

## **REMARKS**

Applicants gratefully acknowledge the telephonic interview granted by the Examiner on January 2, 2002 to applicants' representatives to discuss the Notice of Nonresponsive Amendment. As discussed during the telephonic interview, applicants further clarify the basis for their traversal of the § 112, 1st Paragraph rejection in the following remarks.

In the Notice of Non-responsive Amendment, the Examiner indicates that applicants' Amendment and supplemental Amendment were not fully responsive to